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LETTER DATED 4 MAY 1992 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I should like to inform you that over the period 22-30 April 1992 United States aircraft have persisted in their violations of Iraqi airspace for purposes of observation and provocation.

22-23 April 1992

Twenty-four sorties, flown by 10 two-aircraft formation and four single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 5,500 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Zakho and Tall Afar.

24-25 April 1992

Twenty-three sorties, flown by four two-aircraft formations, 12 single aircraft and one three-aircraft formation at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 15,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Irbil, Mosul, Rawanduz, Dukan and Tall Afar.

26-27 April 1992

Twenty-two sorties, flown by nine two-aircraft formations and one four-aircraft formation at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 3,000 to 6,500 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Zakho, Amadiyah and Tall Afar.

27-28 April 1992

Eighteen sorties, flown by eight two-aircraft formations and two single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 7,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil, Tall Afar, Dukan and Amadiyah.

28-29 April 1992

Twenty-three sorties, flown by 10 two-aircraft formations and three single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 7,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Dohuk, Amadiyah, Zakho and Irbil.

29-30 April 1992

Twenty sorties, flown by nine two-aircraft formations and two single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 3,000 to 8,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Amadiyah and Zakho.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Samir K. K. AL-NIMA
Chargé d'affaires a.i.